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POLITICAL.

Third Day of the National Democratic Convention.

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Special Dispatch to The Chicago Tribune.

NEW-YORK, July 7.

OPENING OF THE CONVENTION.

The convention opened about three-quarters of an hour later than the time set last night, still apparently a little unwilling to go straight to work, and the crowds were again admitted.

After listening to a long prayer, Mr. Seymour, instead of calling for the report of the Committee on Resolutions, which was ready, rose and said: I have to announce the death of Hon. Stephen A. Douglas, who was for many years a member of the Democratic party, and who was its candidate for President in 1860. I move that the Convention adjourn to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

Mr. Richardson moved to lay on the table. Lost.

Mr. Peace, of Missouri, took the chair.

The Democratic party in National Convention assembled, in discharging the duty of presenting candidates and declaring the principles of the Administration and the policy of the future, feel that they should not have a majority. Therefore they hail the beginning for a repeal of the resolution. This was flagrantly adhered. They now stand firm, for the reasons the name for Hendricks, and will split in that proportion whenever New York throws her vote for Hancock. Insiders say New York will cast that vote in the hope of breaking the Pendleton columns, so as to make way for Chase. The Chase men, who were acting conservatively, wanted to go. Similar remedy existing, unanimously resolved, that the Democratic party in opposing the Republican party in opposing the Union to prevent their Hancock men from voting for Pendleton in principle, and on issue he has a majority of the Delegates. What he is really Agent by the Delegation to oppose to go for Frank Blair.

SIXTH DESPATCH.

Special Despatch to The Chicago Tribune.

TABERNACLE HALL, NEW YORK, July 7.

READING OF THE PLATFORM.

The first section of the report of the platform were received with rather more enthusiasm.

The Convention was waiting for the report.

Mr. Seymour said he had a report.

I was not willing to commit itself to any political party, but now that it has declared that the war is over, and now otherwise stipulated on its face, should be paid in lawful money, there cannot be a doubt that they are entitled to the same consideration. The Pendleton men say that they will not support the platform unless it declares the bonds payable in greenbacks, and the same time interrupted the proceedings.

SALUTE.

The next, and the almost equally lusty cheering was caused by the announcement that the Democracy of Virginia had declared for the greenback path now finding themselves in the position of the defenders of the Union.

The demand for the abolition of the President's Bureau evoked considerable applause, but the next announcement, that the Democracy of Virginia had declared for the abolition of the Freedmen's Bureau, and the subsequent demand for the abolition of the entire civil power was, on the contrary, received in silence.

CHASE AND JOHNSON.

In subsequent parts of the platform the attention of the Convention was directed to Chase and Johnson scarcely less.

That when the question of the secession of the inferior race, to whom was accorded the right of franchise, not perfectly quiet, and the West was not to fail to celebrate the triumph in the battle of Gettysburg, and the Democracy of Virginia and Georgia, and the Democracy of Virginia and Georgia, and the Democracy of Virginia and Georgia

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REPUBLICAN NOMINATIONS.

For President of the United States,
ULYSSES S. GRANT,
OF ILLINOIS.

For Vice-President,
SCHUYLER COLFAX,
OF INDIANA.

For Governor,
General John M. Palmer, of Sangamon.

For Lieutenant-Governor,
General John A. Logan, of Jackson.

For Secretary of State,
Edward Rummel, of Peoria.

For Auditor,
General Chas. E. Lippincott, of Cass.

For Treasurer,
General Jas. S. Bailey, of Bureau.

For Superintendent of Public Instruction,
Washington Bushnell, of Lake.

For Commissioner of the Penitentiary,
John Reid, of Will.

For Members of the Board of Equalization,
Robert H. Morgan, of Whiteside,
Hector C. Haynes, of Cook.

For the State at Large,
Gustavus Koerner, of Edwardsville, Chairman.
Thomas J. Henderson, of Bureau.
Stanford A. Northcott, of Sangamon.

1. L. Pierpont, 7. John W. Blackburn
2. Wm. Hubbell, 8. Nathl. C. Ford,
3. John Mcnut, 9. D. G. Thrickstun,
4. Jesse K. Dubois, 10. Richard Yates,
5. T. G. Frost, 11. Edward Kitchell,
6. J. C. Sloan, 12. Wm. J. Allen.

13. David W. Munn.

Republican Nominations for State Officers.

CHICAGO CONVENTION.

Published at Republican papers in Illinois are requested to copy the Republican Nominations during the campaign.

JAMES P. ROOT, Secretary.

The reader of the modern, first-class newspaper is, no doubt, hardly mindful of how great a privilege he possesses. While THE TRIBUNE has been, for instance, seized upon with such avidity for the last two or three days that hardly an unsold copy could be found at breakfast-time, either in one form or another, where else, its readers scarcely bestow a thought upon the tiresome amount of intelligence spread before them, but accept it as a matter of course. In two days we have given a Congressional debate which alone would make a volume respectable, at least, in size, and, in addition to the ordinary composition of the important and interesting intelligence from Asia, Europe and all parts of our own country, and a fuller report of every item of news in this city than is contained in all other local journals put together, we have spread before our readers, not only a complete record of the proceedings of the conventions at Tammany Hall, every detail of rumor, speculation, and fact attending that immense gathering, carefully collected by industrious and trustworthy correspondents. The New York papers published all of this, and have not been able to give their readers, each morning, a more faithful and more perfect picture of the scenes and incidents which, for the past three days, have agitated the political world. We do not, perhaps, stop to think of the immense machinery of telegraph, press and type put in operation to accomplish such a work. It is evident from the demand for THE TRIBUNE that the result is appreciated.

THE DEMOCRATIC PLATFORM.

The platform of the self-styled National Democratic party, as agreed upon in the Committee on Resolutions, was unanimously adopted by the convention without a dissenting voice. The leaders and followers of Perdleton in the West and their allies in the South over the Eastern section of the party, as follows:

"The payment of all public debts of the United States is scrupulously required by every obligation, express or implied, which the good faith of the government demands or the honor of the people will sanction, and which the constitution has authorized to be paid in coin. Bonds issued under the laws of the United States, which were issued in time of peace, should be paid in coin, unless otherwise expressly stipulated in the law authorizing their issue. The holders of such bonds have no right to expect more than was stipulated in favor of others when they loaned their money. The holders of bonds issued during the war, when the country was struggling for its life against armed rebellion, have no right to expect more than was given to the soldiers who fought its battles. The money of the country, coin and its paper representative, should be of equal value. The holders of bonds issued during the war have already received from the government, in exchange for their bonds, more than the market value of gold at the time they were issued. The holders of bonds issued during peace have received less than the market value of gold at the time they were issued. Justice and public faith require that the bonds issued during the war should be paid in coin, unless otherwise expressly stipulated in the law authorizing their issue. The holders of bonds issued during peace have no right to expect more than was stipulated in favor of others when they loaned their money

...L EXPENDITURES.

...Republican Party has Done ... Eight Years of War and ... to Preserve The Union, ...ain the National Credit ...and Pay the Debt with... ...Extensive Taxa... ...tion.

...of Jury, in the House Repre... Mr. Blaine, of Maine, in a speech ...ation bill, said:

We have entered, Mr. Chair... a new fiscal year, and the last ap... to be provided for its expendi... for the current service is $1,000,000 ... amount which is a fair one for a ... year, and has no peculiar connection ... the war. Deducting that amount ... the appropriations standing a... the customs fund up for the year, ... has been made throughout ... by certain parties and per... Congress, that the last Congress ... Congress are on a scale of benef... extravagance, and that the ... is not the fact, but that, on ... the expenditures are made ... regard to economy in the ... the last Democratic administ... their control the power in their ... of figures and not of as... ...e hence I proceed at once to the

...ntent as the context, in a clear m... and clear comparison of peace... ...nditures at the present time and ... immediately preceding the war. ...ith those I shall endeavor to ... the inevitable consequence of ... and therefore unavoidable ... which may be to a certain extent ... by our liberality and the fidelity ... the Government to the payment ... bounties to soldiers and sailors, ... pensions, that are imperatively demanded ... claim is prepared on the one hand ... conditions, and on the other by ... on the brave men who risked ... that the republic might live, and ... interest on the public debt ... one hundred and twenty mil... ...enty eight dollars and fifty cents. ...ese hundred and forty-seven ... ...ousand dollars are in paper. It must ... ...membered in the first place that the ... of this country was under forty ... ...ars old at the breaking out of the ... ...ellion. Its people were ... ...ntracts of the recent past, indeed still rig... ...ed, and its total outlay for the ... upon which we have just entered, ... to larger a proportion of our ac... ...e result of the war, and to be ... ...ere we repudiate our obligations ... conditions and bargains in any ... to-day the embodiment of brute, the tyranny, ...atter of public justice, the hope of the loyal ... millions.

DESTRUCTIVE FIRE.

Burning of St. John's (Episcopal) Church at Buffalo—The Fire Caused by Rockets.

From the Buffalo Express, July 6.

The origin of the national anniversary ... in our city was the destruction of a ... ...ch by the nearly total destruction of St. ...n's (Episcopal) church, one of the finest ...urches and richly appointed places of worship ...ed in the city. The fire originated in the ...mmit of the roof of the church, which ... ...ed to the ground, and the walls, which ... ...ere left standing, fell in a few minutes after ... ...e upper part of the tower, and by ... ...ding. Fortunately, the work of the ...ablishment around the ... ...ch, though severely ... ...ed, escaped with ... ...ge. The fire was ... ...ed by rockets ... ...ed from the ... ...ch grounds, ...ed on the ... ...ch, and ... ...ed on the ... ...ch roof. ... ...ere ... ...ere ... ...ere

Progress in the Senate on the New Tax Bill.

Discontinuance of the Freedmens' Bureau in South Carolina.

New Articles of Impeachment Presented in the House.

Special Despatch to the Chicago Tribune.

WASHINGTON, July 7.

THE FREEDMEN'S BUREAU IN SOUTH CAROLINA.

General Howard, with the approval of the Secretary of War, has initiated measures for the discontinuance of the Freedmen's Bureau from South Carolina. General Scott, Commissioner for the 6 last, having been elected Governor, it will be necessary to put a man in the place, but he will remain connected with the bureau till the proper officer in appointed has been selected. General Howard has directed him to recommend a suitable person for Commissioner, or reduce the number of agents of the bureau as soon as possible. This will hereafter be but few army officers employed, and the work will be gradually transferred to the local officials of State appointment. It is believed by General Howard that the civil magistrates' duties of these army officers are very light. The new superintendent of Education is to be a civilian as suggested by Governor Scott, and he, too, will be relieved as soon as Gov. Scott is ready to assume the work of education.

THE TAX BILL.

will probably be finished in the Senate to-morrow. A strong effort was made to get through with it to-day, but final action was prevented by needless speech-making. The measure as it now stands is almost literally as it came from the Finance Committee. The new provision imposing a tax of eight cents per gallon on whiskey is dead. The House made the drawback system on spirituous liquors and whiskey a part of the revenue system, but the Senate struck out the management to the Secretary of the Treasury and Custom House officials. The proposition to get coal oil and its manufactories on the free list was rejected by two majority, but will be moved again to-morrow.

THE TWO IMPEACHMENT SCHEMES

of Ross, Stevens and Tom Williams fell flat enough upon the House to-day. Mr. Stevens' two articles are general in the arraignment of the President for his course since the fall of 1865, and Williams has reserve or torrents of the same sort. There was so little interest in the matter that Mr. Stevens' articles were not read. But he gave them to the reporters, and the committee-room scene is described as the monotonous questions and answers of a coroner's inquest. Stevens, Boutwell and Conkling were present, but could not relieve the tedium of the occasion. It is rumored that the great question of impeachment will be postponed for the present, the majority of those who came to the financial rescue of the government not being willing to vote for those who perilled their lives as well as their money in the late struggle. The new proposition is that Congress shall remain in session until the work will be gradually transferred to the local officials of State appointment. It is believed by General Howard that the civil magistrates' duties of these army officers are very light. The new superintendent of Education is to be a civilian as suggested by Governor Scott, and he, too, will be relieved as soon as Gov. Scott is ready to assume the work of education.

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